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(1316-1378) Charles IV

Holy Roman emperor (1346-1378), son & successor of John of Luxembourg, king of Bohemia, who fell in the battle of CRÉCY (1346). In 1346 he was declared emperor by 5 princes to supplant the excommunicated emperor Louis IV.

The latter died in 1347. In 1356 he issued the Golden Bull prescribing a new form of election of the king of the

Romans. In 1376 he had his son,
WENCESLAUS, elected emperor. He
founded, with the help of the Archbishop
of Prague, the University of Prague,
on the model of that of Paris, in 1348

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Germany & Austria:

Charles IV granted the Electors
the privilege of taxing the
Jews.

Dec 26, 1356

Golden Bull of 1356

most famous Golden Bull; Emperor Charles IV (1316-78) established rules for the selection of future emperors, changing the Holy Roman Empire from a monarchy to an aristocratic federation.

Dec 26, 1356

Remained the constitution of the Holy Roman Empire until 1806.

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English victory over French at
Poitiers; King John taken prisoner;

Charles IV issues Golden Bull.

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After the defeat of Poitiers in 1356 France entered upon a period of anarchy. King John was in captivity; the Dauphin Charles, his lieutenant in the kingdom was a youth of 19, delicate in health, surrounded by counsellors (no trust could be reposed)

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Charles V (1337-80)

became the real ruler of France
in 1356 when his father, John II
was taken prisoner to England
after the Battle of Poitiers, but
he did not actually succeed
to the throne until 1364

He was crowned at Reims

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POITTIERS

A town in western France famous for its antiquities but mainly because of the famous battle (1356) in the Hundred Year's War when the English under Edward, the Black Prince defeated John, King of France. The French Army outnumbered the English over 5 to 1. They opened the battle with a furious

charge of mailclad men at Azus, and only the marvelous work of the English longbowmen saved them from being ridden down and cut to pieces. The arrows shot and the bows used by the English were fully twice as long as those in use by any other country hence "the cloth yard shaft" as a term for the arrow. King John (of France) was taken prisoner.

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England

Edward the Black Prince
wins the battle of POITIERS.

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King John was defeated ^{France}
and taken prisoner at POITIERS

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Battle of Poitiers

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^{Germany}
The Golden Bull of Charles IV
was made fundamental law
of the Empire.

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Germany
Promulgation of the
GOLDEN BULL

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Gun warfare - China

1356 AD

The Chinese revolted against their Mongol ~~overlords~~ overlords using cannons. Gunpowder, a mixture of saltpetre, sulfur and charcoal, had first been employed 500 years earlier to scare off demons.